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SUBJ: ECE/UNEP JOINT PROGRAMMING MEETING

1. SUMMARY: MISSION HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT FIRST
ECE/UNEP JOINT PROGRAMMING MEETING, HELD GENEVA 15-16,
JULY 1976, WAS HIGHLY PRODUCTIVE. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON
PRIORITY PROJECTS OF MUTUAL INTEREST AND ON HOLDING
OF FUTURE JOINT PROGRAMMING MEETINGS ON ANNUAL BASIS.
END SUMMARY

2. JOINT PROGRAMMING MEETING WAS DEVELOPED BY ECE TO
SHOW DIRECT LINKAGE BETWEEN ECE AND UNEP WORK PROGRAMS.
ECE SECRETARIAT (BISHOP, DIRECTOR ECE ENVIRONMENT
AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS DIVISION) REPORTS UNEP DELEGATION
HEADED BY MUNRO HIGHLY IMPRESSED BY WHAT BEING DONE
BY ECE IN ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD. ECE EXPRESSED RECEPTIVITY
TO ANY PROPOSALS FOR REORIENTATION OF ONGOING ECE PROJECTS
TO MAKE THEM OF GREATER INTEREST TO UNEP, BUT NO PROPOSALS
RECEIVED.

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3. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON PROJECTS OF MUTUAL INTEREST
IN EIGHT AREAS:

- (1) STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE ECE REGION,
- (2) HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND HABITAT,
- (3) HUMAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH,
- (4) TERRESTRIAL ECOSYSTEMS,
- (5) ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT,
- (6) OCEANS (REGIONAL SEAS),
- (7) ENERGY PROBLEMS, AND
- (8) ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EARTHWATCH).

(DETAILS TRANSMITTED SEPTTEL.)

BISHIP BELIEVES ALL NEW WORK CAN BE HANDLED BY ECE
WITHIN PRESENT MANDATES FROM PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARY BODIES
OR BY SECRETARIAT DIRECTLY.

4. ON BASIS OF MEETING OUTCOME, UNEP (TOLBA) HAS AGREED
TO UNDERTAKE LONG-TERM EXTENSION OF TWO PROFESSIONAL POSTS PROVIDED
ECE TO ASSIST IN CARRYING OUT UNEP RELATED PROGRAMS.
(PRIOR TO MEETING, UNEP HAS AGREED TO ONLY ONE YEAR
EXTENSION OF ORIGINAL TWO-YEAR AGREEMENT.) IN RETURN
ECE WILL ISSUE PERIODIC REPORTS ON THEIR CONTRIBUTION
TO COOPERATIVE EFFORT AND WILL ISSUE JOINT ECE/UNEP
DOCUMENTS WHENEVER POSSIBLE.

5. TEXT OF SUMMARY OF MEETING AGREED TO BY PARTICIPANTS
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